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Thanks.

I heard from Han. He recommended the following initial concentrations 10, 30, 60 & 100 g/l. Assuming initial dry density of 500 g/L, the dilution ratios work out to 1:49, 1:15.7, 1:7.3, and 1:4 (sediment:water) respectively.

I'd imagine at a certain point you would be limited by the height of the settling column – to get a 20cm bed after settling you would need a ~10 m column!

Let me know if you need anything else.

Rooni.

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So to verify, will you be able to do potentially 3 different concentrations? The base concentrations at locations 3 and 8, a different concentration at location 8, and if you have enough sediments an additional concentration at location 3?

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Thank you, let me know what Han suggests. The commute should get better as the days go by... I may go to CA, the problem that I have is that our building is closed so nobody can make my travel arrangements/approval... Go figure!

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Hi Eugenia,  
I'll check with Han.

I'm not sure yet if I can make it to CA next week, it depends on how the commute develops over the next few days.

It took my wife about 2 hours to get to work on the bus today, and if that is the situation next week as well, she will have a tough time with the drop-off and pick-up from school at 8.30am and 5.30pm.

Rooni.

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I can't remember whether I got back to you but I have a couple of questions for Han regarding 3. We are looking into doing the duplicate at a different dilution/concentration. At the site, we did a VERY ballpark consolidation test dry run with leftover sediment from the tests.

We did a mix of APPROX 25% sediment and 75% water, the ballpark mixture consolidated into a 15-20 cm bed, but to run 5 intervals through SEDFlume we'll need more than that.

Also as per Ed's suggestion we took enough sediment samples at location 8 to do a dup, although I would like to do a duplicate at a different concentration at location 3 as well -provided we have enough sed.

Can you check with him:

- whether he has any suggestions for the seds/water mixture e.g. 35-40% seds and 65-60% water
- whether he would suggest doing an additional duplicate at location 3 with a different concentration

Let me know if you prefer to talk. It's good that you'll be at the lab!

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Eugenia,

Below are some thoughts we'd received from Han on the consolidation tests

1. When carrying out consolidation experiments, make sure water with Bay's salinity is used, and measure the initial concentration of the fine sediment suspension,
2. During the consolidation experiments, monitor the lowering of the interface; in the hindered settling phase (the first hour or so) frequently, then less frequent.
3. Do consolidation experiments at a series of initial concentrations, and make sure that consolidation is complete.

I would imagine that SEI is currently planning only to do 1 and 2 not 3? Could you verify this please? I'll check with Han on the significance of the 3rd. For 2, I'll check with him on the exact interval and get back to you. Hopefully tomorrow.

Rooni.